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PRESS RELEASE

Date/Time of Release: Friday, April 29, 2005
Date/Time of Occurrence Saturday, June 11, 2005
Nature of Event: Karen Johnson Memorial D.A.R.E. Fun Run
Location of Event: William Jessup University
333 Sunset Blvd., Rocklin, CA
Released by: Dena Erwin, Community Services Officer, (530) 889-6922

SHERIFF EDWARD N. BONNER RELEASES THE FOLLOWING:

The Placer County Sheriff's Department is hosting its sixth annual Karen Johnson Memorial D.A.R.E. Run at the William Jessup University track in Rocklin on Saturday, June 11, 2005. The fundraising event, called the D.A.R.E. Fun Run in its first three years, was renamed in honor of Deputy Johnson who died in 2003. She was a D.A.R.E. officer and an avid runner who organized the Fun Run each year.

The event benefits the Drug Abuse Resistance Education program, which the Sheriff's Department utilizes to educate elementary and middle school students on the dangers of drugs, alcohol and violence. Students are taught the importance of high self-esteem and of making good choices in their lives.

Runners may request a registration form by calling (916) 791-5884 or register on-line at www.placer.ca.gov/sheriff. Free children's races begin at 8 a.m. and do not require pre-registration. Adult 5K and 10K races begin at 8:30 a.m. Mail-in registration is \$20 before June 6. Race day registration begins at 7 a.m. and will cost \$25. Pre-registered runners will receive a commemorative T-shirt.

Four 5K team trophies are up for grabs this year: one for Placer County employees, another for public safety personnel countywide, a third for middle schools and one for high schools.

An awards ceremony, door prize giveaway and raffle will be held at the conclusion of the final race. AMR Ambulance will be on-scene to provide emergency medical care. No dogs or strollers will be allowed on the course. D.A.R.E. merchandise will be for sale at the race.